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This Congressional race is a long time
hence, and who knows that Gibbons will
not make a record that will at least let
down the Barre to Bob Davis' shoes?

President Roosevelt is now strenuously
engaged in laying his political pipe-lines
in the Northwest. Let us hope that the
plumbers union will see to it that he has
a pull-up working card.

Cromwell Gibbons was elected Speaker
of the Florida House of Representatives
by acclamation. If he makes the great
record his friends hope for him he will
"go up higher" some day.

Will the Legislature do anything to
check the ruthless warfare of extermina-
tion upon the Alligators? They consti-
tute an especially attractive feature of
Florida's picturesque natural scenery.

"Bob Davis for Governor" has become
the slogan of the Florida press generally,
except, of course, certain chronic, perni-
cious "knockers" whose opposition is, as
a rule, worth more to a candidate than
their unqualified indorsement.

Congressional timber is springing up
all over the district woods. Alexander,
of De Land; Barrs, of Jacksonville; Bane,
of New Smyrna; Carson, of Kissimmee;
Dougherty, of Port Orange, and Watson,
of Ocoke. Quite a bunch to pick from.
Are there any more?

Van Stenberg, the German Ambassa-
dor at Washington, went to the railway
station to see President Roosevelt off on
his Western tour. The courtesy caused
the president to grin from ear to ear,
and also offended the Germans. The Ber-
lin newspapers accuse the ambassador of
treachery to a very plebeian president of
a plebeian people. Perhaps the Germans
will learn to their cost some day that all
true Americans are noblemen, and that
all Dutchmen look alike to them.

Judge Adams, the St. Louis judicial
brat who enjoyed the employees of the
Wabash Railway system from striking or
quitting the employ of the company,
has at last prevailed himself, so to speak.
His despotic and un-American course was
so generally condemned by eminent, fair-
minded and leading jurists and publicists
that he could not afford to stand by the
injunction. Judge Adams would not ad-
mit, however, that he was wrong. He
simply dissolved the injunction upon the
ground that the railway company had
failed to show that its employees were
content with the wages they were receiv-
ing when the injunction was issued. The
position taken by Judge Adams involves
a paradox as singular and unusual as
his case of judicial fairness. If the men
had been satisfied with their pay there
would have been no cause for the rail-
way's complaint, and the judge should
have known this and demanded proof to
the contrary before issuing the restrain-
ing order against the men.

NEWSPAPER HARMONY

"Behold! how good and beautiful it is
for brethren to dwell together in unity,"
saith the preacher. At the recent State
Press Convention, J. W. White, editor of the
Fraternal Record, made a noble and elo-
quent plea for harmony, peace and co-
operation among the Florida editors.
He might as well have been pouring olive
water upon a deck's back. Not a month
has elapsed since that convention, and
already there are seven newspaper wars
in full blast in the State.

The belligerents are the editors of the
following newspapers and organs:
The Palm Beach News and the Braden-
town Herald.
The Punta Gorda Herald and the De-
Boto County News.
The Halifax Journal and Freedom.
The De Land News and Record.
The Tampa Tribune and Herald.
Jacksonville Metropolis and the Times-
Union, and the latter and the ever ready
and terse Madison Recorder.

All of these gentlemen are of course the
unquestioned champions of untrammeled
human rights and are opposed to all
manner of trade or business monopolies.
Yet back of all their little differences lies
the age-old hydra-headed monster they
pretend to despise.

Truly, the average newspaper man is a
paradoxical creature. He roasts the cor-
porations, damns the trusts, and cries
aloud for fair play in the business wars.
But when it comes down to his own call-
ing he wants a strict monopoly of the
field, and he will sometimes do and say
things to injure a business opponent that
would be indignantly scorned in any
other legitimate business calling.

The true, broad-minded publisher cares
very little for honest competition in his
chosen field. He only sees in it an in-
centive to higher and better things—truth,
progress, industry and frugality.

It is, after all, a matter of small con-
sequence how many newspapers and print-
ing establishments there may be in any
town or city. The man who turns out
the best newspaper and the best work on
legitimate and honest principles is bound
to succeed in the long run. Chicanery
and unfair competition may succeed for
a time, but in the long run disaster will
overtake all who adopt such methods.

Frank V. Baker, editor of the Sanford
Chronicle, died of consumption Thursday.
He was a bright and able writer.

The Socialist vote, according to latest
election statistics, has gained 1,000,000
in three years—a growth more rapid
than that of any political cult in the his-
tory of American politics. The Hanna
policy, supervised by the Trust magnates,
is making socialists and anarchists at a
very rapid pace.

From the viewpoint of pure selfishness
it is a pity that the Wabash injunction
could not be equitably sustained. Under
the sweeping compass of its despotism
no poor devil of a wage-earner could be
forced to give up his job. As long as he
is complied with the usual rules governing
the relations of employee and employer
he could injoin the boss from discharg-
ing him, and he could also compel the boss
to raise his wages whenever he could
show that the business justified it.

AS TO MR. BARRS

John M. Barrs, of Jacksonville, is out
for Congress to succeed Hon. Robert W.
Davis. Col. Barrs is a very generous and
resourceful politician, and his modesty is
proverbial.

About ten days ago Col. Barrs mailed
his announcement and personally con-
structed platform upon which he bases
his candidacy to The Gazette-News.

It covers five pages of regular
typewriter paper closely written, and
would make a column of solid non
pareil type.

Along with the announcement came a
modest personal letter from Col. Barrs,
in which he very generously gave us full
permission to publish his announcement
and platform of principles, provided, of
course, that we considered the document
of sufficient interest to the readers of The
Gazette-News.

The Gazette-News has quite a large and
intelligent circle of readers who are, no
doubt, deeply interested in everything
that emanates from Col. Barrs, and while
we are deeply sensible of the distinguished
consideration he has conferred on The
Gazette-News by this generous permis-
sion to publish, etc., we must decline, for
we have grown a trifle scrupulous about
free advertising, and unless the Colonel
comes across the business counter with
the full price for first page space we must
reluctantly decline to regale our readers
with his horse sense views upon the five
issues of these strenuous times.

In passing, however, we timely take
the liberty of recommending Col. Barrs
as an all-around roster of everybody and
everything that does not wear the John
M. Barrs Union Label.

Barrs, simmered down, is a blustering
demagogue, with the unvarnished gall
and assurance of a pirate. His political
days are numbered, and the popularity
of his ilk is a reminiscence of populus.

A BARRS PHOTOGRAPH
The Gainesville Sun takes a pot shot at
John M. Barrs that is a warm number,
and turns a white light upon the true
inwardness of that glossy fakir.

The Sun condemns the Barrs platform
without stint or partiality, and says, in
part:

"The people of Florida are not fools.
They have read and heard too much
from certain Jacksonville politicians
who have always moved among them
about election times, poisoning their
minds against progress, development
and enterprise, in an effort to get some
soft job for which they are continually
striving. What do they care for the
people of the State if they can get what
they want. The Sun regards the decla-
rations made by Mr. Barrs recently as a
reflection upon the intelligence of the
people of the Second district. His let-
ter to the voters is couched in a man-
ner to indicate that there is not in the
estimation of Mr. Barrs intelligence
enough in this district to repudiate
such stupid and silly assertions as those
which he makes. But he is mistaken.
The day has passed in Florida
when an appeal to ignorance, prejudice
and passion can avail anything in
politics."

GOOD WORDS OF DAYTONA

Many of the members of the State Press
Association who attended the recent con-
vention at Seabreeze are saying nice and
generous things about Daytona and Sea-
breeze and the kindly reception they were
accorded here.

Brother Bittinger, of the Ocala Star, is
eloquent in his impressions of Daytona.
He says: "Daytona was fascinated by
nature. The art of man put on the trim-
mings. The ground is almost a level over
which is spread the beauties of a full
blown hammock. Clearings are made on
which to erect cozy homes and palatial
mansions. These are painted white with
green blinds. The splendid shelled streets
have a sale of bicycles paralleled by no
town of Daytona's size in the State. It
is truly an ideal city, on the banks of the
pellucid Halifax. Everybody that sees
its beauties is enraptured. Its popula-
tion is 5,000 in winter and about half
that number in summer. It has fine, well
stocked stores."

AS TO FISHING

Editor THE GAZETTE-NEWS:
I have frequently heard different per-
sons, who came here for a few days and
did not happen to have a good day for
fishing, say that there is no fishing at
Daytona.

I am not an expert fisherman, not hav-
ing fished with pole and line for forty
years previous to my coming to Daytona
three years ago. Neither have I studied
the pages of the erudite Izaak Walton on
fishing. I have, however, kept a memo-
randum in my diary of the fish caught by
me here this season, except yellow tails,
catfish, and many other fish of that
kind, and in my judgment the figures
given by me below of the different fish I
have caught on the lower bridge here
this season will fully refute the state-
ments of those who came here with ex-
pensive fishing tackle and expected the
fish to be lured by their tempting bait at
any and all times.

Up to date my catches for this season
have been as follows:

Trent	240
Whiting	93
Drum	34
Bass	27
Bluefish	27
Sheepshead	8
Sawfish	7
Eels	4
Stingrays	6
Shoal	2
Crayfish	1
Total	419

If we include the fish that I have not
kept a memorandum of, the number I
have caught would be enlarged to over
seven hundred.

There are two other bridges across the
Halifax at this point, beside two piers
on the ocean beach, where many fish are
caught.

I was not here last August, but I have
been informed that on the 7th day of
last August 1,450 pounds of bass were
caught from one of the ocean piers.

The largest fish I have caught was a
sawfish, which measured 52 inches in
length and weighed 21½ pounds. My
largest bass weighed 12½ pounds, and
my largest trout weighed 6½ pounds.

J. D. SUTHER.

The most essential qualifications for
political life are a frock coat and high
hat.

Senator Sims is chairman of the Sen-
ate Committee on Fisheries, which is an
important committee.

The Volusia County Record publishes a
list of the students who have been taken
away from Stetson University on account
of their retention of Dr. Forbes. The list
numbers over 100, which shows which
way the wind of public opinion blows.

How to Ward off an Attack of Rheumatism

For years when spring time came on
and I went into gardening I was sure to
have an attack of rheumatism and every
attack was more severe than the pre-
ceding one," says Josie McDonald, of Man-
hattan, Kansas. "I tried everything
with no relief whatever until I procured
a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and
the first application gave me ease, and
before the first bottle was used I felt like
a new person. Now I feel like I am cured,
but I always keep a bottle of Chamber-
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SOME JENNINGS IDEAS

If any man doubts the mental ability
of Governor Jennings he has only to read
his message to the legislature to be con-
vinced of his error of judgment. It is a
very able document and contains some
excellent recommendations. It also con-
tains a fair quota of bad recommenda-
tions—some of them very bad.

The Governor is an extremely astute
politician and a skilled juggler of public
questions, but he does not touch when an
issue is once joined and up to him.

He recommends that—
The Indian war claims fund be applied
to the payment of the State debt.

Jennings has a commendable sense as to en-
able soldiers of the Indian and Mexican
wars to receive pensions.

A State Board be created to equalize
taxation.

All franchise, inheritance, gifts and
devoted be taxed.

A law to protect forest trees.

A pure food law be enacted.

A geographical survey of Florida.

A law giving one high school to each
county in the State.

A law be enacted creating a uniform
system of permanent roadways.

Sorter the recommendations are good,
but here are some bad ones:

That the State constitution be amend-
ed so as to create a State's attorney for
each senatorial district. [There are al-
ready enough prosecuting attorneys. A
law expediting prosecutions is the thing
most needed along that line.]

That armories for State troops be fur-
nished by the State. [This position is a
debatable one for the reason that the

State militia, as at present constituted,
is more a social organization than any-
thing else, and its ranks are not open to
every able-bodied citizen.]

That counties adopt a free schoolbook
system. [This would lead to an endow-
ment of privilege and tend to corrupt
public officials. Our public school system
should be kept just as far as possible from
political influences.]

That the law requiring the payment of
poll-taxes as a prerequisite to voting at
a primary election be repealed. [This is
the rankiest of all of the wily Governor's
only schemes. It would mean the ulti-
mate overthrow of popular government
in Florida, and the enthronement of the
trickster, the hoodler, and the boss.]

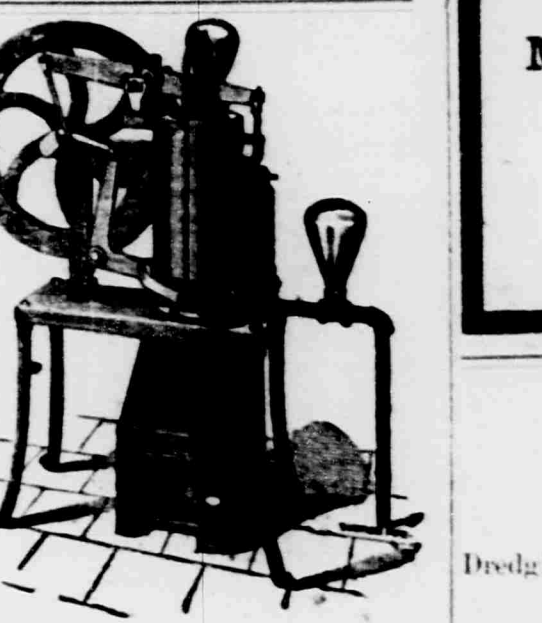
He is totally opposed to anything like
State aid to the good roads movement.

Editor Codrington of the DeLand News
knows how to reach the people. When
he wants to air his opinions he borrows
space from a contemporary with a real
circulation instead of using his own sweet
News. The Jacksonville Metropolis is a
good medium to reach the people.

Walks Without crutches.

"I was much afflicted with sciatica,
writes Ed. C. Nad, Iowa, Sedgwick
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